Join Bishop Coyne at Action for Ecological Justice: Celebrating a Year of Creation on Sept. 30th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Saint Michael’s College! This one-day conference hosted by the Catholic Church of Vermont as part of the Year of Creation will explore, reflect upon and respond to the message of Pope Francis’ 2015 encyclical, “Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home,” which highlights the urgency of the global climate crisis, the embeddedness of creation care within Catholic teaching, the interconnectedness of all that exists, and the moral imperative to act for the benefit of the planet and those who call it home — human and non-human. With perspectives from scientists, politicians, activists, economists, professionals, academics and people of faith, the day promises dynamic conversations about the state of creation and how we can work together for a more sustainable future.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Y. Woo

From 2012 to 2016, Dr. Woo served as President and CEO of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States, which reaches more than 100 million people in 101 countries on five continents. At CRS, she worked face to face with the consequences of climate change every day. Representing CRS, Dr. Woo was featured in the May/June 2013 issue of Foreign Policy as one of the 500 Most Powerful people on the planet and one of only 33 in the category of “a force for good.” In June 2015, Dr. Woo was one of five presenters in Rome at the release of “Laudato Si’.”

Closing reflection and song, inspired by “Laudato Si’,” led by Bob Hurd of OCP.

A light breakfast, Green Mountain Coffee, and Pingala Cafe lunch will be provided.

Breakout Sessions

- A Path to the Good Life: Pope Francis’ Famous Environmental Encyclical, “Laudato Si’”
- Can Economics Save the World?
- Dialogue: Collaborating to Care for Our Common Home
- Engaging the Parish: How Do I Invite Others to Join Me?
- From Climate Science to Climate Justice
- Pristine or Polluted: Do You Know What is Threatening Our Water Resources?
- Spirituality, Justice and “Laudato Si’”
- Water is Life: Giving Access to Safe Water to the Poor Around the World
- Your Cousin, Your Neighbor’s Cousin: Consuming Ethically in Today’s World

Registration $35; Students: Free

Limited Space! Register today at vermontcatholic.org/actionforecojustice

For more on the Catholic Church of Vermont’s Year of Creation and the Action for Ecological Justice conference: vermontcatholic.org/yearofcreation

Event Sponsors

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USCCB, Office of Justice, Peace and Human Development

Host a Year of Creation event at your parish!

Contact outreach@vermontcatholic.org for education, prayer and action resources focused on care for creation.
UPCOMING EVENTS

09|10
Knights of Columbus Country Breakfast
St. Thomas, Underhill Center • 8-10:30 am
Buffet style breakfast served in the Parish Hall in Underhill Center, includes juice, fruit, eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, and coffee or tea. The cost is by donation. All are welcome! (Hall is not handicap accessible)

09|10
St. Luke's Annual Children's Carnival
St. Luke, Fairfax • 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Hosted by the Fairfax Knights of Columbus: Games, Food, Prizes & Fun, open to all ages! Earn a ticket for playing and a ticket for winning! Tickets can be used to purchase prizes! Cost: $3 per child or $10 per family. Enjoy a yummy hot dog with a drink for $1.

09|14, 21, 28, 10|05, 12, 19, 26, 11|02
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible
Our Lady of Seven Dolores, Fair Haven
6:30 - 7:30 pm
“Unlocking The Mystery Of The Bible,” an eight-part study featuring Jeff Cavins, will be presented Sept. 14 to Nov. 2. Cost of $20 includes a session overview, talk notes, discussion questions and Bible timeline chart.
FOR MORE INFO: Paul Turnley, ptturnley@aol.com, (802) 645-0955; Rosie Doran, Rosemarieadoran@yahoo.com, (802) 265-8635; or Father Vincent Odoemenan (802) 265-3135.

09|15
40 Days for Life Rutland Kickoff Event
5 - 7 pm
Join 40 Days organizers for a pep talk and brief reception to kick off the Fall 2017 Campaign!
FOR MORE INFO: 40daysforlife.com or call Delia Warnecke (802) 287-0354

09|15 - 17
Cursillo Renewal Weekend
Mountain Meadows, Killington
7 pm
Calling all Cursillists! Come join us for a weekend of renewal, sharing and community at Mountain Meadows. Time for prayer, inspirational talks and recommitment to Christ. $210 for the weekend stay and $75 for Saturday only.
FOR MORE INFO: Tom Kanya (802) 878-6152 for registration info.

09|16
Regional Catechist In-service
Corpus Christi Parish, St. Johnsbury
9 am - 1 pm
Following the success of last year, we are excited to offer this year’s Regional Catechist Formation days across the diocese. This half-day program is specifically aimed at our catechists, coordinators, and directors of religious education. Pastors are more than welcome to join in as well! Participants will attend workshops of their choice — ranging from learning more about the faith to how to engage parents in the parish — and have the opportunity to network and share best practices with other catechists around the state. Light breakfast fare and a lunch will be provided.
FOR MORE INFO: Lori Daudelin at ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org.

09|16
Catechist Formation Day
St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury
9 am - 1 pm

The Bible and the Sacraments #1
St Monica, Barre
6:30 - 8 pm

11-part Bible study from Scott Hahn's St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology: features a 30” DVD segment followed by leader-led discussion. Objectives: Discover the Old testament roots of the Sacraments instituted by Christ; grow in knowledge of the Sacraments; learn how the 7 Sacraments have the power to transform our lives and shape us for eternity.

FOR MORE INFO: stmonicalift@gmail.com; (802) 476-4020

09|17
The Bible and the Sacraments #2
Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington
9:45 - 11 am or 7 - 8:15 pm

This four session adult enrichment series will study and share insights in regard to Pope Francis’ Encyclical Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home.

FOR MORE INFO: Wilma Johnson johnsonwa7@msc.com, (802) 681-7290

09|17
St. Peter, Vergennes
11:30 am
End of Life Care for Catholics — What You Need to Know, Potluck lunch (please bring a dish to share) followed by a Presentation by Deacon Pete Gummere, Director of the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese and Bioethicist.
Sponsored by St. Peter’s Pro-Life Committee.
FOR MORE INFO: bdperron@gmail.com, (802) 877-3971. Also St. Peter’s Rectory at 802-877-2367

09|17
All Saints / Our Lady of Lourdes Parishes Turkey Dinner
Dorion Hall, Richford
12 - 2 pm
Roasted turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, squash, salad bar, rolls, cranberry sauce, pickles, assorted desserts, coffee, tea, punch, milk, water Cost: $10 for adults, $8 for senior citizens, $5 for children 5-12 yrs., FREE for children under 5 yrs.

09|18, 25, 10|16, 23
Adult Enrichment: “Laudato Si”
Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington
9:45 - 11 am or 7 - 8:15 pm
This four session adult enrichment series will study and share insights in regard to Pope Francis’ Encyclical Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home.

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FOR MORE INFO: vermontcatholic.org/careers

2017 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL REPORT

Make sure to get a copy of the September issue of Vermont Catholic Magazine, which lays the groundwork for the Diocesan Synod process by taking a look back at our past in preparation for creating a pastoral plan for our future with input from Catholics from around the state. Anyone who has donated $24 or more to the 2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal will receive a copy of the magazine delivered to their home address. Each parish also received a bulk mailing of magazines to be available for those who have not donated to the appeal. Ask your pastor if you cannot find the magazine in your parish.